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Remarks/Arguments:

Applicants acknowledge with thanks the courtesy extended to their representative by Examiner Nguyen during the personal interview of May 6, 2004.

During the course of the personal interview, the Examiner noted that:

... applicant presents the limitation "an acute angle" formed by two planes. However, the claimed "an acute angle" is broad enough to read on the angle formed by Lindblad. Applicant should define the two planes which is different from the reflecting planes (if that is true) so that it can overcome the rejection.

Accordingly, the rejected independent claims have been amended to specifically recite a light-emitting plane and side planes. In angle formed by the side planes, the light inlet planes, is an acute angle. Certainly, a light inlet plane between side planes is not disclosed by Lindblad. Furthermore, Lindblad contains no disclosure of such side planes forming an acute angle.

Applicants' Fig. 18 and Fig. 19 illustrates side planes 42a and 42b with light inlet plane 50a situated therebetween. Applicants' side planes 42a and 42b are planes which are distinct from Applicants' light-emitting plane 44.

Applicants note that Fig. 1 of Lindblad discloses side plane 22 and side plane 28. However, if these two planes are said to correspond to Applicants' side planes, then there is no structure in Lindblad which corresponds with Applicants' "light-reflecting plane above said light inlet plane".

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In view of the amendments and arguments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

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